

Amigos Por Vida – Friends for Life Public Charter School
An Amigos Por Vida – Friend for Life Housing and Education Corporation School

The Board of Governors of Amigos Por Vida – Friends for Life Public Charter School held a Virtual Meeting on 5/19/2020, via the following link: (<https://meetingsamer2.webex.com/join/support56>). It was presided over by the President, Mrs. Silvia Graves, and the Secretary, Ms. Lydia Tamez.

1. Call to Order

- a. Mrs. Silvia Graves called the meeting to order at 4:25 PM. The following individuals were present:

Silvia Graves – *Board President*
Lydia Tamez – *Board Secretary*
Rose Mary Valencia – *Board Member*
Jaime de la Isla – *Board Member*
Ronald Wilson – *Chief Financial Officer*
Freddy Delgado – *Superintendent / Principal*
Kakoli Mukerji – *Assistant Principal*

Sandra Gonzales – *Assistant Principal*
Bill Dinkel – *Former Chief Financial Officer*
Deborah Figueroa-Cruz – *School Secretary*
Yvonne Cervantes – *Teaching Assistant*
Ashley Morales – *2nd Grade Teacher*
Shauna Clark – *School Lawyer*

2. Hearing of Citizens

- a. Ms. Ashley Morales, former 2nd Grade Teacher, spoke.
b. The Board felt that no intervention on their part was required in this matter.

3. School Updates

- a. A motion to table the discussion of *School Updates* until the following Board meeting was made by Mr. Jaime de la Isla; seconded by Ms. Lydia Tamez. Mrs. Silvia Graves moved for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to table the discussion of *School Updates* until the next meeting passed.

Action Items

4. Discuss and Consider Board Minutes from 4/21/2020

- a. A motion to table the discussion and consideration of the *Board Meeting Minutes from 4/21/2020* until the following Board meeting was made by Ms. Lydia Tamez; seconded by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia. Mrs. Silvia Graves moved for a voice vote. All members were in favor and the motion to table the discussion and consideration of the *4/21/2020* minutes until the next meeting passed.

**5. Discuss and Consider Staff Appreciation Reimbursement for Mrs. Kakoli Mukerji
(Bought gift cards for staff members: \$20 for paraprofessionals, \$30 for teachers, total: \$1150.00)**

- a. A motion to approve the *Staff Appreciation Reimbursement for Mrs. Kakoli Mukerji* was made by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia; seconded by Ms. Lydia Tamez. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to approve the reimbursement for Mrs. Kakoli Mukerji passed.

6. Discuss and Consider 2020-2021 Technology Services and Support Commitment for TxEIS/Ascender software and support

- a. A motion to table the discussion and consideration of the *2020-2021 Technology Services and Support Commitment for TxEIS/Ascender software and support* agreement was made by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia; seconded by Ms. Lydia Tamez. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to table the discussion and consideration of the software and support agreement for 2020-2021 passed.

7. Discuss and Consider waiver for educator appraisal requirements

- a. A motion to approve the waiver for educator appraisal requirements because of early closure due to COVID-19 was made by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia; seconded by Ms. Lydia Tamez. Mrs. Silvia Graves moved for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to approve the waiver passed.

8. Discuss and Consider *Corrective Action Plan* presented by Business Office

- a. A motion to table the discussion and consideration of the *Corrective Action Plan* presented by the Business Office was made by Mr. Jaime de la Isla; seconded by Ms. Lydia Tamez. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to table the discussion and consideration of the *Corrective Action Plan* passed.

9. Discuss and Consider IT Specialist salary proposal for upcoming 2020-2021 school year

- a. A motion to table the discussion and consideration of the *IT Specialist Salary Proposal* was made by Mr. Jaime de la Isla; seconded by Ms. Lydia Tamez. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to table the discussion and consideration of the salary proposal passed.

10. Discuss and Consider policy on school expense authorization without Board approval

- a. A motion was made by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia to make changes to APVFFL's *Purchasing and Contracting* policy in regards to expense authorization without Board approval; it was seconded by Mr. Jaime de la Isla.
- b. The board concluded the policy should change the authorization amount from \$50,000 to \$15,000 for any contracts and expenditures; these also required both Superintendent/Principal's and the CFO's signature in addition to Board approval.
- c. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote; all members were in favor. The motion to make the mentioned changes to APVFFL's policy passed.

11. Closed Session

- a. Mrs. Silvia Graves moved the meeting into close session at 4:55 PM.
- b. Mrs. Silvia Graves moved the meeting into open session at 7:20 PM.
- c. During close session, and after hearing the necessary statements from Mr. Delgado and Mr. Wilson, the Board decided to let Mr. Wilson reconsider his resignation. Pending conversation with his doctor and wife, Mr. Wilson will deliver his decision on *Friday, May 22, 2020*. Based on what he determines, the Board and administration will move forward accordingly.

Information Items

12. School Phones Update

- a. A motion to table the presentation of the *School Phone Update* until the next Board meeting was made by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia; seconded by Mr. Jaime de la Isla. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to table the presentation of the *School Phone Update* until the next Board meeting passed.

13. Additional Information on School Financial Operations 2019-2020

- a. A motion to table the presentation of additional information on school financial operations for 2019-2020 until the next Board meeting was made by Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia; seconded by Mr. Jaime de la Isla. Mrs. Silvia Graves called for a voice vote. All members were in favor, and the motion to table the presentation of additional information items until the next Board meeting passed.

14. Adjourn

- a. Mr. Jaime de la Isla moved the meeting to be adjourned; Mrs. Rose Mary Valencia seconded. The motion to adjourn the meeting was agreed upon by the Board at 7:35 PM. Next meeting will be held on 5/36/2020 at 4:00 PM, in order to discuss Mr. Wilson's decision and the tabled agenda items.

Silvia Graves

Silvia Graves (Jun 3, 2020 14:59 CDT)

Mrs. Silvia Graves, *Board President*

Lydia Tamez

Ms. Lydia Tamez, *Board Secretary*